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## **Bhattacharyya to Leave Post at Savannah River National Laboratory**

***Sam Bhattacharyya to step down as Director of  
Savannah River National Laboratory.***

AIKEN, S.C., March 24, 2010 -- Samit K. (Sam) Bhattacharyya, Ph.D, today announced his plans to leave Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL) to pursue outside interests.

Bhattacharyya was part of the original management team with Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, (SRNS) that competed and won the contract for management and operations at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site (SRS) located near Aiken, South Carolina. SRNS officially took over its current mission at SRS in August of 2008.

Dr. Bhattacharyya has served as Director of SRNL since the 2008 start-up, responsible for management, operations and portfolio growth. In this capacity, Bhattacharyya led approximately 1000 employees, providing highly specialized research and development in environmental management, national security and energy security solutions.

"Sam's efforts during the pursuit of our contract and his leadership as Director of the National Lab since August of 2008 have been greatly appreciated by our company and the community," said Garry Flowers, President and Chief Executive Officer of SRNS. "We wish him well in his future endeavors."

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In addition to his post at SRNS, Dr. Bhattacharyya's distinguished career in nuclear technology has included executive assignments at Argonne National Laboratory where he achieved international recognition for his technical work in advanced nuclear power systems for both terrestrial and space application, and with Northrop Grumman where he served as the nuclear lead for Project Prometheus, designed to probe the moons of Jupiter. Bhattacharyya has published over 200 publications and participated around the globe in scientific and technical conferences and proceedings.

Flowers today named Paul T. Deason, Jr. Ph.D, SRNL's Acting Laboratory Director while a search for a final replacement is under way.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, is a Fluor-Daniel Partnership comprised of Fluor, Northrop Grumman and Honeywell, responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site located near Aiken, South Carolina.

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